A WEEK'S NEWS.

Gleaned by Telegraph and Mail CONGRESSIONAL.

In the Senate, the 17th, a message was received from the House announcing the death of Mr. Haskell, of Kansas. It was im- sentence at Brockton, Mass., for wife ing been a member of an organized gang mediately taken up, and after appropriate re-marks by Mr. Ingalls, and on his motion, the President of the Senate appointed Senators Plumb, Cockrell and Dawes as a committee to attend the obsequies of the deceased Representative. The Senate then adjourned.... In the House Mr. Anderson announced the death of his colleague and offered the customary

resolutions, when the House adjourned. In the Senate, on the 18th, Mr. Harrison introduced a bill providing a civil government for Alaska. Mr. Van Wycke offered a resolution, which was agreed to, calling on the Secretary of the Interior for copies of the mort-gages given by the Texas Pacific Railway Company on lands granted by the act of March 3, 1871; also to inform the Senate of the names of railroad corporations claiming lands not earned during the lifetime of the grant, together with the number of acres claimed by cach. At the expiration of the morning hour the Senate proceeded to the election of officers. General Anson McCook was chosen Secretary, and the balance of the Republican nominees elected. The Senate went into executive session, and when the doors were reopened went into Committee of the Whole for the purpose of continuing the consideration of the rules. Pending consideration of the rules the Senate adjourned.... The House was

In the Senate, the 19th, the bill adapting the new standard time to the District of Columbia passed. The Senate then resumed consideration of unfinished business in regard to rules. After a lengthy discussion the Senate took up the House resolutions for a holiday recess and amended it to read from Monday, December 24, to Monday, January 7. As amended agreed to, and returned to the House. After executive session, adjourned.... In the House, Mr. Scales presented the certificate of election of Mr. Skinner, representative-elect of the First District of North Carolina. This led to District of North Carolina. This led to a lengthy discussion, non-partizan in its character, the question opened being that of the legality of an election for a vacancy under the new apportionment. Finally a resolution of Mr. Hiscock was agreed to that Mr. Skinner be sworn in and the reference of the main features of the case to the Committe of Elections, with instructions to report quickly. A report by Mr. Blackburn for the creation of a number of committees, called forth an amendment by Mr. Reed for the creation of a Committee on the Alcoholic Liquor Traffic, which brought on a debate in which Mr. Vance in really to those who appeared it said the characteristics. in reply to those who opposed it said the object of such a committee only looked to get-ting information upon a subject of interest to ting information upon a subject of interest to every human being on the continent. The sentiment of the people should be respected by this Congress, to know the facts about intemperance, which wrecked so many households of the land. He hoped that the representatives of the people would accord the friends of humanity, justice, mercy and happy homes the right to be heard, and extend to the people an opportunity to gather information. the people an opportunity to gather informa-tion on a subject of such tremendous importance. It did not follow necessarily that there would be a Prohibitory law. After further debate the motion to create the committee prevailed. Mr. Calkins offered a resolution, which was adopted, calling on the Secretary and papers in his possession relating to the trial, conviction and execution of the late Patrick O'Donnell by the British Government. The Senate amendment for a holiday recess was agreed. Adjourned.

In the Senate, the 20th, Mr. Cullom intro-Commissioners and regulate inter-State Commerce. Mr. Van Wyck's resolution regarding lands granted to railroads was taken up, discussed, amended and adopted. The Senate concurred in the joint resolution of the House relating to the celebration of the centennary of the surrender by Washington of his com mission as Commander-in-Chief of the patriot forces of America. Anjourned till Monday. A long discussion sprang up in the House over the resolution offered by Mr. Geddes to grant a month's extra pay to discharged employes. Further discussion was had on the creating of new committees, when the House adjourned until Monday.

WASHINGTON NOTES. THE issue of standard dollars for the

week ended December 15, was 479,494; corresponding period last year, 656,600.

A NUMBER of friends of the proposed bill extending the bonded whisky period, met recently and appointed a committee to reported that two Hebrew peddlers perwait upon Secretary Folger and ask him not to force tax collection on whisky coming out of bond until Congress takes action.

officers of the army and navy to consider and Orlando, Winston Griffin and Ben Mcthe question of sending an expedition to Laughlin steal some apples. Sanford Nor-

THE President has appointed John C. and McLaughlin. It was thought Griffin

Wyman, of New York, H. Watkins, of would die. New York, and Frank Trusdell, of the Dis-Pacific Railroad in Washington Territory.

in the Senate providing for the construccruising torpedo boat and two harbor torpedo boats.

orado) where he remained until the break. Danish. The youngest brother is sixty Representative Hopkins. Appropriate ing out of the war in 1861, when he returned to Kansas and entered the Quartermaster's service of the army in the transportation department. At the close of the turned to Kansas and engaged in the boot and shoe trade at Lawrence. He subsequently served several terms in the Legislature, and in 1876 was chosen Speaker of the Kansas House of Representatives. In the fall of 1876 he was elected to Congress was successively elected at each election, and had entered upon his fourth term at the time of his death. Mr. Haskell had made a special study of tariff questions, and was recognized by his party as one of the strongest debaters on tariff topics on the Republican side of the House.

AT the late meeting of the Republican National Committee a resolution was adopted directing the appointment of a committee of seven, of which Chairman Sabin and Secretary Martin were to be snembers, to make all arrangements for the Chicago Convention. Senator Sabin recently appointed the following additional members: John C. New, of Indiana; William Cooper, of Ohio; C. L. Magee, of Pennsylvania; John A. Logan, of Ildinois; Pewell Clayton, of Arkansas. L. grer of the Committee.

bacco dealers who claim a rebate, and it is to beggary. the desire of Fifth Auditor Alexander to While Walter Bratt, of Porter County, fifteen officers killed and wounded. The get them settled and ready for the First Mich., was drunk and abusing his wife, Chinese still held the fortress of Sontay. Comptroller before an appropriation is recently, he was killed by Dayton Clark, passed by Congress.

Tan fresident has sent to the Senate a Ladien Affairs, setting forth the necessity over to his Jackson County sureties. year for the Crow Indians. The Coremis- Lexington, Mo. sjorter stated that there were now at the Oren Agency 3,226 Indians, who require

** bill introduced by Senator Cullou to had been married only three months. more or less injured, but none probably establish a Roard of Railroad Commission- A very destructive wind storm swept fatally. Two coaches were consumed. ors to regulate inter-State commerce, pro- over Laramie County, Colo., recently. The Loss about \$50,000.

of railroads and other transportation com- probably fatally hurt. panies, and investigate all complaints

and others of discrimination in charges. THE Treasury recently purchased 400,000 several passengers hurt. ounces of silver for delivery at the Philadelphia and New Orleans mints.

THE EAST.

of the town of Dubois, Pa. Loss \$75,000, with but light insurance.

MARTIN MILEY, a laborer, recently went | was acting as a detective. home, in Boston, Mass., and finding nothing to eat, assaulted and killed his wife. He is only twenty years old.

THE workmen of the Edgar Thompson cepted a reduction of thirteen per cent. in at the Barnum Hotel, in St. Louis. He was wages, rather than remain idle until trade | reported to be short in his accounts.

and several others badly injured. JAMES WEAVER, a laborer, aged sixty years, employed at Hussey, Howe & Co.'s steel works, at Pittsburgh, Pa., while recently passing through the machinery de- field, became involved in a dispute, when partment, was caught in the belting and the eldest, aged fourteen, shot his brother, drawn into the machinery. Before he could | killing him instantly. be extricated he was torn limb from limb and portions of his body scattered a dis-

tance of one hundred feet. THE Western Nail Association met restoppage was for the purpose of restricting \$500 fine each. the production. This action will throw several thousand men out of employment. The employes were said to be very despondent, having already lost nearly four robbed in the same locality a few months months this year by a similar suspension.

GEORGE I. GRAFF, formerly cashier of the Wall Street National Bank, of New for sentence.

Ar an early hour the other morning a gang of men made a bold attempt to rob the bank at Durango, Colo. The robbers were headed by a negro named "Big Ike," and after picking the lock of the bank they entered the building. Several citizens who had been notified of the attempted robbery, at this moment entered the bank to capture the robbers, when the negro came suddenly through a door and drawing a revolver fired, instantly killing Bruce Hunt, son of ex-Governor Hunt. The robbers escaped, but a large posse went in pursuit. THE St. Louis Glucose Works burned the

other night. Loss, \$50,000; insurance, \$30,-000. The Lincoln school house was damaged \$3,000. Two firemen were seriously

The elegant residence of S. P. Creasinger at Fowler, Mich., was burned recently. It was the work of incendiaries. It cost also robbed of \$2,100 in cash.

A COMPANY with a capital of two million dollars, has been organized at St. Louis to der of Patrick Quinn, October last, at the build a new bridge over the Mississippi Rath Farnham, near Dublin (Ireland). River, two or three miles above the present | The prisoner stated that he belonged to a bridge, work to be commenced as soon as secret society, whose orders he obeyed in Congress gives permission.

Asa Mapes was recently killed while playing base ball at Terre Haute, Ind. THE Commercial Hotel at Ishpeming,

NEAR Paris, Ill., the other day, Sanford Norris, with other boys, arranged a practi-THE President has appointed a board of | cal joke by having his two brothers, Tod |

the relief of Lieutenant Greeley and party. ris and other boys were to be concealed, THERE is said to be a better prospect of and, at the proper time, fire a gun in the the passage of the bankruptcy bill the air. By almost criminal fatality, the gun present Congress than the last. Promoters | was pointed directly at the boys, who were of the Lowell bill are preparing modifica- close together. Tod Norris was perforated tions of the measure with a design of mak- with shot and died soon after. Orlando ing it less obnoxious to Western interests. Norris was seriously injured, as was Griffin

RECENTLY Mary Kofford called on Dr. trict of Columbia, a commission to exam- Rose, a prominent dentist of Leadville, ine the completed portions of the Northern | Colo., and made the startling request that he furnish her with poison which could not SENATOR HALE recently introduced a bill be detected by an autopsy. She offered him \$300 compensation, and reluctantly adtion of seven steel vessels, a steal ram, one mitted that she wished to get rid of her band's brother, of whom she was enam. the Independent office. Loss, \$30,000. REPRESENTATIVE D. C. HASKELL, who ored, and herself might together enjoy an

years old and the woman thirty-five. A NUMBER of prominent citizens of St. Louis held a meeting the other night and took preliminary steps to obtain the hold. burned. Loss \$25,000. There were over war he went East and completed his edu- ing of the next Democratic National Con- twelve hundred male patients in the buildcation at Yale College; after which he re- vention in that city. The Chairman was ing. The fire caused great excitement authorized to appoint an executive commit- among them, but all were removed to tee of thirteen, who shall have charge of places of safety.

MR. KEIFER, of Ohio, was recently instructed to report a resolution to the House. without recommending adoption, for the from the Second District of Kansas, and appointment of a committee of nine on

Woman Suffrage. A DARING safe burglary was committed at Denver the other night and the safe of a with the avowed purpose of having a fight. business house was robbed of about five hundred dollars. The burglars cracked the safe in a lighted room, where their work could have been overlooked from the street, the production of which fifteen miners were of the Chief of Police.

BURGLARS recently entered the residence of E. J. Hoppins, Deputy Collector of Internal Revenue, at Grand Rapids, Mich., and stole \$4,300 in money, which he had abiy fatally shot recently by Sarah Clantaken home to pay an obligation, and a sil-

her bed at Dubuque, Iowa, the other morn-thought, accidentally. ing-the result of exposure and the want of THE Grand Jury of the District of Co-3. Gage, of Chicago, was appointed Treas proper treatment. She was the daughter lumbia recently indicted a number of penof an Irish peer, and her husband claims to sion attorneys, charged with using the SEVERAL weeks ago the Commissioner of be the son of an Irish nobleman, and, it is mails for fraudulent purposes. the Internal Revenue Bureau turned over said, was worth about \$100,000 when mar- THE French are reported as having capto the Fifth Auditor about forty-eight thou- ried, six years ago. But misfortune, as- tured the principal outposts of Sontay, emsand claims for reinte on tobacco. These sisted by drink, overtook him, and he and bracing five strongly-fortified villages. plains represent that number of retail to- his wife and little daughter were reduced The Chinese made a stubborn resistance.

his wife's brother. FRANK JAMES, who was recently taken

vides for the appointment of a board of damage at Fort Collins was fully \$10,000. five Commissioners who shall exercise Mrs. Fred. Schwartz and her child were supervision over the inter-State commerce buried beneath a falling building and

By a recent accident on the Burlington & made by Railroad Commissioners of States | Southwestern Railroad near Farmington, Mo., the engineer was fatally injured and

THE SOUTH.

THOMAS LOCKE and J. N. Campbell were recently arrested at Waco, Tex., on a A LATE fire destroyed the greater portion | charge of counterfeiting silver coins. Campbell is highly connected. He has held a number of local places of trust in ASA B. BAKER recently received a life the past two years. He confessed to havfor several months, but claimed that he

Seven business houses were recently burned at Corsicana, Tex. Loss, \$69,000; insurance, \$49,000. W. J. PEARSON, Postmaster at Clarksville, Steel Company, of Pittsburgh, have ac- Ark., was recently found dead in his room

improves. Steady work was promised E. E. CHENEY, for many years a highly three thousand men through the winter. esteemed citizen of Uvalde, Tex., recently To steel men this reduction means a cut of committed suicide by shooting himself wages in all steel rail mills of the country. I through the head with a revolver. He fired By the recent explosion of a boiler at D. | two shots, the first one having failed in its P. Reighard & Co.'s oil works in Pitts- purpose. He had just bought a mercantile burgh, Pa., three men were fatally scalded establishment preparatory to going into business, and no reason could be given for

> the act. In Morgan County, Ky., recently, two brothers named Debusk, while working in a

AT Atlanta, Ga., Judge McCoy recently refused a new trial in the Banks County Kuklux case. Five prisoners, Jasper Garbrough, James Garbrough, Bold Emery, cently at Pittsburgh, Pa., and decided to State Lemons and Levick Streetman. close down from December 29 to February stated in open court that they were guilty, 11. The meeting was one of the largest but E. H. Green and Detmus Garbrough the bridge over the Republican River near ever held, every mill of the West being pleaded not guilty. They were sentenced represented by person or by letter. The to five years' imprisonment and to pay

> A LONE horseman recently attacked the stage, six miles south of Cisco, Tex., and rifled the mail bags. The same stage was

A RECENT fire in the three warehouses of the Baltimore (Md.) Warehouse Company York, indicted for certifying to checks of destroyed one warehouse and badly Cecil Ward & Co., when they had no funds scorched the other two. About two thouin bank, pleaded guilty in the United sand bales of cotion and other goods were States Circuit Court, and was remanded destroyed. Loss, \$75,000; fully insured. Three firemen were severely injured.

THOMAS BUFORD, who in 1879 killed Judge Elliott, of the Kentucky Court of Appeals, and was sent to the Lunatic Asylum from which he escaped to Indiana, has returned to Henry County, Kv., and is said to have threatened other members of the Court. He is in a desperate condition and asserts that the Judges who decided the case against him have some of his money. The Judges were uneasy.

from Clinton, La., recently returned home street during the day in apparently ordiand found his daughter, aged seventeen, nary health. She was about twenty years dead, and another woman fatally wounded. of age, bright and good looking, and had The latter has since died. The crime was evidently taken her own life with poison. them both. Suspicions were strong against sas City bawdy house and killed her, and a negro man, who was arrested.

GENERAL.

A LONDON dispatch stated that the Glasgow dynamiters will be taken to Edinburgh \$21,000 and was insured for \$15,000. It was for trial, accompanied by a police escort. Peter Wade has been sentenced to be banged on the 16th of January for the murcommitting the murder.

THE British Government has notified Egypt that Great Britain is unable to interfere in Soudan, but will try to induce Mich., burned the other morning. It was the Porte to dispatch an expedition thither

> was run into by an express train. Mrs. Armitage, Mrs. H. Wartman and Mrs. Gorric were killed. PABLO QUINTANA, Mayor of New Laredo,

Mexico, has been arrested by a detach-It was reported the Chinese forces were concentrated at Hung Hoa, twenty miles above Sontay on the Red River, and at Bac

coasting vessels were lost and the crews

A RECENT fire at Stewartsville, Mo., dehusband, Hans Kofford, that her hus- stroyed eight business houses, including A MEETING of the bar was held in the died in Washington recently, was born in insurance of \$5,500 which her husband car. Supreme Court Room at Washington, on Springfield, Vt., on the 23d of March, 1842. ried. After making an appointment to the 21st, to take appropriate action in His father settled in Massachusetts soon | meet both at his office, the doctor arranged | respect to the death of Judge Jeremiah after Dudley was born. In 1855, when thir. with the police to be present, but concealed, Black. Senator Edmunds presided. Euloteen years of age, he became identified with at the interview. The whole diabolical plan gistic addresses were delivered by Merrick, the early pioneer struggles. In 1859 the gold | was made known. They were immediately | Emery, Ashton and W. H. Smith, and excitement took him to Pike's Peak (Col. arrested and jailed. The parties are all Senators Bayard, Vance and Garland, and

resolutions were adopted. THE east wing of the Lunatic Asylum on Ward's Island (N. Y.) was recently

Five of the "dynamiters" were recently sentenced to life imprisonment at Edinburg, Scotland.

ADAM HILL and George Snyder, young men, were killed the other night at a dance six miles from Winchester, Ill. Their assailants were Charles and John Sutton, brothers, who went to the dance armed THE Titusville, Shamokin & Shenandoah Districts, of Pennsylvania, mined in November 1,080,631 tons of anthracite coal, in and that, too, within forty feet of the office killed and thirty-four severely injured, mainly inexperienced Poles and Hurga-

LILLIE SINNOTT, daughter of a wealthy liquor dealer, of New York City, was probto the kitchen to attend to some household Mas. Ann Goodman was found dead in duty when the shooting occurred, it was

The French loss was two hundred men and THE Louisiana Democratic Convention

re-nominated McEnery for Governor.

A PASSENGER train on the Chicago, Burcommunication from the Commissioner of to Gallatin, Mo., was subsequently turned lington & Quincy Railroad ran into the rear end of another train at Gladstone, Ill., | drawn by four black horses, to the Congreof a desciency appropriation of \$18,000 for Mrs. Captain Emps, an aged German the other morning, telescoping a Pullman gational Church, which had been draped supplies for the remainder of the Ascal lady, recently dropped dead in her yard at car, which ignited and was completely destroyed. Richard Somers, Superintendent EDWARD DUCHEMIN, of Cincinnati, aged of the Dining Car Service, was instantly twenty-one, recently stabbed his wife aged killed and his body burned almost beyond subsistence to keep them from starving. eighteen. She would probably die. They recognition. Six other passengers were

KANSAS STATE NEWS.

J. V. McLean, a brakeman, was recently killed by the cars four miles north of Emporia. He had been married only six

At the solicitation of Congressman Peters, an order was recently transmitted to the President for his signature attaching the county of Ford and the west half of Hodgeman County to the Garden City

Post-office changes in Kansas during the week ended December 15, 1883: Postmasters appointed-Ashler, Chase County, James H. Wright; Chase, Rice County, F. J. Griffith; Hollyrood, Ellsworth County, Frank Murray; Keimfield, Rush County, S. W. Suttone Shady Bend, Lincoln County, Mrs. Emma R. Cox; Slate, Rooks County, John Ruby; Stilson, Cherokee County, Neil Krous; Wakarusa, Shawnee County, Lucius T. Franks.

GEORGE CARTER recently mysteriously disappeared from Russell County, and his friends are anxious to know of his where-

PHILLIPS COUNTY paid \$9,955.73 to her

school teachers last year. RECENTLY two prisoners who had been allowed to step out of the corridor of the jail, at Emporia, undertook to make their escape, starting to run in different directions. The jailer started in pursuit of one of them and commanded him to halt. He refused to do so and the jailer fired on him, the ball taking effect just behind the left ear, and glancing downward lodged near the large artery in the neck. The wound, though serious, was not considered fatal. The other prisoner was captured and returned to the jail without injury.

THE President recently sent to the Senate a message recommending such legislation as would authorize the reconstruction of Fort Riley. Accompanying the message was a statement from the Secretary of War to the effect that the former structure fell into the river through the negligence of the company owning it. The question of its replacement was one of great public importance, and more especially as effecting the interests of the military service.

A Young woman going from Wichita to Omaha was robbed on the Santa Fe road the other morning. She had fallen asleep after leaving Topeka, with her portmanteau, containing her watch and chain, several articles of jewelry, her ticket and six dollars in money, on the seat beside her. On waking she found it gone, and immediately made her loss known to other passengers, who gave her a purse of six dollars with which to purchase a ticket to Omaha. She was much grieved over her loss, which she claimed was about \$200.

JENNIE WHALEY was found dead in her room at the Farmers' and Drovers' Hotel, at Wichita the other night. She was discovered about nine o'clock, and had been JIM GEORGE, colored, residing five miles | dead two or three hours. She was on the

committed by a man who called at the George Raysen, of Leavenworth, who nouse, found the women in bed and shot some months ago found his wife in a Kanwho had been in jail in that city since committing the deed, was recently adjudged insune and will be sent to an asylum. Should be recover he will be tried for the

G. W. BROADHURST, a voung man twenty-two years of age, engaged in the grain business at Kansas City, recently took \$2,600 of the money of the firm and started out into Kansas to purchase cora. He was cautioned not to take so much money with him but nevertheless did so. He boarded the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe train and went as far as De Soto at which point he left the train. He reported that at that place he started out in the morning for the country | ploded. on foot to buy corn, not being able to secure a conveyance. At a point a short dis-A STAGE while crossing the Grand Trunk | tance east of De Soto he came to the bridge track, near Catarauqui, Canada, recently, over Kill Creek, stopping there a few min utes to look at the stream. As he stood on the bridge looking down at the water two men, wearing masks over the lower portion of their faces, approached with drawn pistols and ordered Mr. Broadburst to hold ment of the Fourth Mexican Cavalry, on up his hands. He said he at once drew his the charge of instigating the recent train revolver and confronted his assailants. robbery on the Mexican National Railway. They succeeded, however, in disarming him, and took from his pocket a large leather book containing \$2,600, also his watch, but as it contained his initials they handed it back. One of the men, he al-A great storm recently caused much leges, then shot him in the leg below the damage to houses in the town of Abada knee, inflicting a flesh wound. Hereturned (Turkey). Six large ships and fifteen to De Soto and men started in pursuit of the robbers; then went to Kansas City and had his wounds attended to.

ONE day recently a young man by the name of Hammer, while at work at a cornsheller, in Labette County, accidentally got his right hand between the cogs of the wheels, crushing all the fingers into a jeily. REV. W. T. BOWEN, rector of the Episcopal Church at Parsons, who has been aiflicted with a malignant attack of asthma for years, and who a few weeks ago at-

tempted suicide, was adjudged insane recently, and will be sent to the Asylum at A PARTY of men at Leavenworth at tempted to cross the river in a skiff to catch a train, and when they landed about four miles below, the train was about twen-

ty miles in an opposite direction. THE Secretary of State, Hon. F. T. Frelinghuysen, has written Governor Glick that the Postmaster-General says he has been informed by the German Postal Administrator that no regulations exist in Germany excluding from the mails publications representing the public lands of this country.

MAJOR HENRY HOPKINS, one of the Board of Railroad Commissioners, died at Leavenworth on the 18th, after an illness of about two weeks. He was appointed for three years, under the act passed at the last session of the Legislature creating the Board. TwaLvg hundred and thirty-two children

attend school at Wichita. AFTER Christmas, then winter.

THE Railroad Commissioners recently received the reports of the Union Pacific Railroad Company and the Kansas Central Railroad and a letter from the Auditor of the Union Pacific, at Omaha, giving the reason for the delay in making the report as required by law. These reports were also accompanied by a copy of the report of the St. Joe & Western road.

THE police of Topeka recently raided the gambling houses in that city and arrested the gamblers and "many prominent and respectable citizens" who were present.

Ar Derby, Sedgwick County, Joe Kreble recently shot and killed a stranger at a husking.

THE obsequies over the remains of Hon. Dudley C. Haskell, at Lawrence, were of an imposing nature. The special funeral car from Washington, bearing the remains and Congressional Committee, was met at the depot by the Knights Templar, and a large body of citizens, and conveyed in a hearse, and decorated especially for the sad occasion. The city was draped with the emblems of mourning along the line of march. Rev. R. Cordley, D. D., preached the funer-

al sermon. CAPTAIN HIGGINS. of Kansas, has been made Sargeant-at-Arms of the Republican | a renewal of their marriage vows. National Committee.

A FATEFUL BURST.

Frightful Explosion in the Empire Oil Works at Pittsburgh-Six Men Injured, Three Fatally-Cause of the Disaster.

PITTSBURGH, PA., Dec. 18. At 11:55 o'clock to-day, while a gang of men in the employ of the Empire Oil-works were eating their dinner in the boiler-shed, a battery of two boilers exploded with terrible force, wrecking the sheds, scattering bricks, pieces of machinery, fragments of the boilers and smok-stacks in all directions. Six men were injured. It is thought two and perhaps three will die. The names of the injured are:

Samuel Henderson, boiler-maker, aged twenty-eight years and married; will re-

Wesley Roup, machinist, aged forty-five years and married; probably fatal. John Roup, a boy; will recover. John Lee, engineer and fireman, aged

forty years; probably fatal. Emil Schmidt, foreman; will recover. William Fisher, electrician, aged twenty-

eight years; recovery doubtful. The works are located on the south side of the Allegheny Valley Railroad, between the road and Butter street, and about 500 yards from the railroad station at the end of the Sharpsburg bridge. They are owned by D. P. Reighard & Co., of this city. The boilers, of which there were four in the shed, were said to be in good condition. strong and not very old. They were licensed to carry ninety pounds of steam, but at the time of the explosion were carrving between sixty and seventy pounds. They were in charge of John Lee, the fireman, who was regarded as a careful man and one who had had considerable experience in that line of business.

At the time of the explosion Wesley Roup, his son Johnny and Samuel Henderson were sitting with their backs to one of the batteries. The shed is small and built of rough boards, and is located at the edge of a steep bank leading to the river, while in front of it is a deep ditch between the shed and the railroad track. E. Schmidt, the foreman of the works, was standing on a car platform across the track, while Wm. Fisher and Lee were standing by the door; one other man had just given his seat against the boiler to Henderson and left the shed, when the explosion occurred. The three men nearest the boilers were hurled out with a mass of bricks, planks and fragments of iron, which partially covered them. Fisher was struck with flyng bricks and hot ashes, as was also Lee. A lot of the debris which was thrown across the track struck Schmidt in the face. A huge smokestack fell across the rails two feet on one side of him, while a fragment of the boiler six feet long fell not four feet away on the other side. An alarm of fire from box 85 was immediately sounded and the engines were soon

on the ground. They were not much need. ed, and the fireman and the crowd that was attracted to the place set towork to relieve the injured. Wesley Roup was terribly burned about the face and upper part of the body and had a large gash cut in the left side of his

face. It is thought he will not recover. He

has a large family.

Johnny Roup was burned in the face and neck. and was cut in several places by flying bricks, one gash being in the side of the Fisher was cut in the forehead and in the head in several places, beside being severely burned. He complains of an intense in. party to be responsible for a gentleman

the escaping steam. Henderson was hit with a brick in the back of the head and cut badly. Lee, the fireman, was burned seriously; he was struck with a piec of iron, and is also supposed to have inbaled steam.

Schmid, the foreman, had his nose crushed and his cheek cut, but was able to assist hose who fared worse than he did. There would doubtless have been an explosion of the second battery of boilers and more disastrons results had it not been for the presence of mind of an employe named Chapman. As soon as the explosion took place, and while the fragments were yet in the air, shooting in all directions, Chapman jumped upon the adjoining battery of boilers and relieved the safety-valve of the pressure upon it, otherwise it is not improbable that that battery also would have ex-

As usual there is a difference of opinion as to the cause of the explosion, but experts generally agree that the boilers were ound and that low water caused the trouble. There is a difference between Mr. Reighard and Boiler Inspector Fordastothe horrible and lamented affair occurred at time they were last inspected. The Inspector's books contain no mention of a later inspection than January 1881. Mr. Reighard asserts that the last inspection miles north of this place. Two children of was less than a year ago. In support of Mr. James Dyer were burned to death, and the low-water theory, it is stated that por- the father has been indicted by the Owen tions of the iron were burnt. John Lee, the engineer and firemen, who would be responsible in this event, is too badly injured to make a statement. The man who left the shed before the explosion occurred states, however, that about fifteen minutes before the disaster he saw Lee run water into the boilers.

Shocking Fate of a Colorado Miner. GEORGETOWN, COL., Dec. 18. The discovery was made this morning of the horrible death of John E. Emerson, a miner on Douglass Mountain. The surroundings of the dead body, when found, The youngest was a healthy and intelligent showed that the man had had the lower portion of his body buried by a cave in the tunnel he was drifting, and that, after remaining hopelessly pinioned for several hours by the rocks, his legs being horribly mangled, he had taken a jack-knife from his pecket and cut his throat to end his o'clock misery. Emerson was an old miner in this section, and universally known. He leit town on Saturday morning to work alone in his tunnel. As he did not return as usual in his tunnel. As he did not return as usual which she says prevented her from return-a searching party went to the mine to ing to aid the other children. Athough she look for him. Within fifteen feet of the entrance to the tunnel Emerson was seen standing. It was dark in the tunnel and the searchers did not notice the man was dead until they touched him. They then saw that his throat was cut, and supposing that a murder had been committed hastened for the Coroner. This official found that Emerson came to his death as described. The body was covered to the waist with loose dirt and rocks, which held him in his upright position. The knife with which he cut his throat must have been in his breast pocket. The cave in the tunnel crushed his legs and pinioned him beyond hope of escape by his own exertion. How long he remained in that position before putting an end to his own sufferings is not known, but it must have been after he had exhausted his energy in trying to make some one hear him. The knife was still clutched in his fingers. The number of ugly gashes in his throat show how persistent he must have been in taking his line with the dull knife.

Eating Diseased Meat.

DECATUR, ALA., Dec. 18. Gibson, living near this place, was taken Ark., while blasting on a site for a suddenly and violently ill yesterday. His bath-house. The thermal fluid burst wife stepped across to a neighbor's to pro- forth with force enough to throw a BEPRESENT THE FOLLOWING INSURANCE cure help, and while there was stricken stream a distance of fifty feet. Investidown in the same sudden and vielent man- gation showed a large fissure in the ner as had been her husband a short time earth, at the mouth of which had form before. She was carried home, and ed a small lake or pool of water of undied last night. A colored woman, a near usually hot temperature. - Chicago neighbor to Gibson, was attacked in the Times. same manner and her life was despaired All were fined, except those who were successful in securing leg-bail.

Of. The neighbors say Gibson owned a hog which was suffering from choiera, and usually desolate places. For the herd-Gibson, for fear of losing it, slaughtered the hog, and every one who are of the animal was seized as above.

> Romance in Real Life-Married, Divorced and Re-Married.

DALTON, GA., Dec. 18. On the 10th of April, 1881, Mr. G. W. Pate of Murray County, wooed and won Miss Sallie F. Williams, a neighboring country vorce, which was granted last February. torical spots.—Buffalo Express. A few days ago the pair met by chance in a neighbor's house, and agreed it was not well to follow divergent paths, and the result was one week's courtship, followed by

PATRICK O'DONNELL.

Meeting of Irishmen and Irish Sympathizers at the National Capital-Opinions of Congressmen Robinson, Calkins, Finerty and Belford upon the Trial and Execution of the Murderer of Informer

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 19, There was a large meeting this evening Ford's Opera-house under the auspices the Clan Na Gael to express, in the words of the call, "American opinion and feeling with regard to the judicial murder of Patrick O'Donnell by the British authorities." Congressman Robinson, of New York, presided. He stated that O'Donnell was not the first Irishman that England had murdered, nor would he be the last, for there was interminable war between Ireland and England. He thanked God for that, because England represented oppression and everything despicable in the nineteenth century. He criticised the Anglo-mania which led the American people to fete and make much of Englishmen who visited America, simply because they were Englishmen. He did not mean to find fault with the 59,590,000 citizens of the United States, but with the 4,000,000 dudes who were in the train of every Englishman. The United States could not afford to have her citizens arrested by England without protest, nor have them convicted without a fair trial. The name of Patrick O'Donnell was prouder and more honored than those of all the queens and monarchs of the whole world. He stated his intention to get the House of Representatives to say hether it approved the course of the Minister to Grent Britain. If he had been a true representative of the United States Patrick O'Donnell would be alive to-day. "Lord" J. Russell Lowell must come home. The whole diplomatic corps was a disgrace

to America. Congressman Calkins said he was not here because he had Irish blood in his veins. but because he always had been a lover of liberty, and because he hated tyranny and intolerance. He hoped to live to see the day when the people of Ireland would be as free as the citizens of America. The time was not far off when the tyranny under which Ireland was oppressed would be broken. If it should turn out when proper investigations were made that O'Donnell had been convicted in spite of law and against it, then Ireland added one more patriot to her long line of individual suf-

terers for freedom. Congressman Finnerty, of Illinois, said the meeting was called to lament the impotency of the great nation, which by a nation not fit to black its shoes, had been in-sulted in the person of its President. There was a day when the cannon of America, feeble to-day, would have answered the inult and defiance of England. The question was not so much one of Irish liberty as American decadence. There never had been insult more director inexcusable than he rejusal of Lord Granville to consider the request of the American Nation. Suppase the President Friday night had telegraphed Lowell: "I demand the respite of Patrick O'Donnell for ninety days, or dip-countic relations will be suspended." If he had sent that, the blood of the Nation would have been up, and if England had sent her fleets they would have been met as they had been met before. Referring to the contest for the Chairmanship of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, he said the backone of a certain party would resent the apintment of any man said to be under the ifluence of England as head of that comiftee. If one party was responsible for Minister Lowell, he did not want another ternal pain and is thought to have inhaled who was certain to be the ally and supporter of the policy of that Minister.

Congresssman Belford of Colorado indorsed the remarks of Robinson, and asserted that O'Donnell had done an absointely just act in killing a sneak. Had he been tried in Colorado the jury would have acquitted him without retiring. A man who entered a conspiracy and then gave away his confederates n order to save his own neck had no right to live. The meeting, which was very enthusiastic and frequently interrupted the speak-

ers with loud cheers, adjourned a ter the adoption of resolutions in condemnation of the action of Great Britain in the O'Donnell

A FEARFUL ACCUSATION.

A Father Indicted for Setting Fire to His

Own Home and Burning to Death His

Two Invalid Children. VINCENNES, IND., Dec. 19. On the night of February 7, 1883, a most Middletown, a small village on the border of Owen and Greene Counties, thirty-five County Grand Jury, and yesterday was lodged in jail for the alleged murder. The particulars of the affair are as follows: On the night in question Mr. James Dyer's house was burne I with everything in it, including two of his children. consisted of Mr. Dyer and four children, his wife having died a year ago of con-sumption. The oldest of his children is an intelligent, active girl of eleven years. The next two were still younger. One was a paralytic, almost helpless and had never been able to walk. The other was afflicted with epilepsy so severely as to superinduce dementia bordering on total idiocy.

child. The night the house was burned Dyer took the youngest child and went to Middletown to buy some soda. The house was a log cabin, with a board partition separating the bed-room from the main room. The children went to bed early, the bed-room, and about nine the eldest was awakened the fire in the front room. She rushed out and opened the outside door, which let in a draught and instantly filled the bed-room with flame and smoke, heard them calling to her to come and take them out, "On, take me out! I'm burning up. Oh, take me out!" she could do nothing for them, and ran screaming to a neighbor's house and alarmed them. A number of people soon gathered, when Dyer made his appearance, but his actions aroused the suspicions of many of those present. The house was nearly consumed, but in the corner where the bed on which the children slept had been could be plainly seen their forms. When the fire had gone out the bones of the two children were found interlaced as if they had in their last agony clasped each other in their arms and died in close embrace. It was looked upon by the neighbors as a most singular occurrence, and the twelve-year-old daughter says that when she went to the outside door she found it barred on the outside. Her frantic efforts, however, were successful in bursting it open and saving berself. When she rushed out of the fluming building the girl says she saw her father standing at a short distance from the fire watching the flames.

-A new spring of hot water was re-An old and well-known man named Geo. cently discovered near Hot Springs,

> usually desolate places. For the herders it is a terrible life, how terrible is shown by the frequency of insanity among them. Sometimes, after only a few months, a herder goes suddenly mad .- San Francisco Chronicle.

ing-sticks are in the possession of Rob- ticket to Lansing yesterday morning. ert Tale, of Norwich, Chenango County, lass. For a while love reigned supreme in N. Y. The walking-sticks contain the home of the newly-wedded pair. But 1,400 separate pieces ingeniously after a time jealousy crept in and the hus- wrought. The cane contains 2,000 band sought release by a suit for total di- pieces, many of them relics from his- you a clergyman?"

do with it .- N. O. Picayune.

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> "Usual rate, sir." "But don't you sometimes make s discount?"

"Sometimes-to clergymen. Are "Well not exactly," slowly replied the man as he scratched his ear, "but I -The City Fathers of Ocala, Fla., reckon I'm the next thing to it. I've passed an ordinance forfeiting con-cealed weapons, and now they have a up and never wanted to lick the owner

small armory and don't know what to | of the other animal." He paid full fare .- Detroit Free Press.